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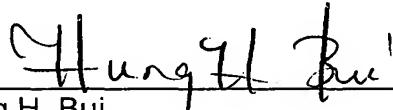
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	<b>4,551,673</b>	<b>11/85</b>	<b>Barth et al.</b>			
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	<b>5,635,846</b>	<b>6/97</b>	<b>Beaman et al.</b>			
	<b>5,764,071</b>	<b>6/98</b>	<b>Chan et al.</b>			
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	<b>6,275,051</b>	<b>8/01</b>	<b>Bachelder et al.</b>			
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	<b>JP 9-5355</b>	<b>1/97</b>	<b>Japan</b>				
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